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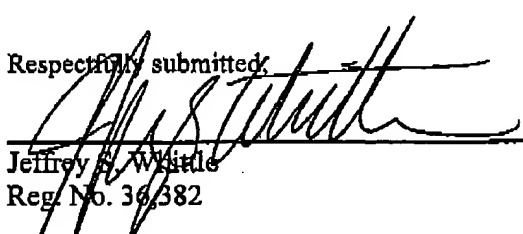
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Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated August 26, 2004, the Advisory Action dated December 17, 2004, and the teleconference with the Examiner on January 25, 2005 (including the acknowledgments therein), please enter the following amendments to the Claims and Remarks without prejudice.

The original Amendment and Response to Office Action dated August 26, 2004, as well as the Response to the Advisory Action, was filed timely therefore Applicant believes there are no additional fees due. In the event an additional fee is required, I hereby authorize the Assistant Commissioner to charge any fees, which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Bracewell & Patterson, L.L.P.'s Deposit Account No. 50-0259 (Attorney Docket 044258.000003).